



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Case No. P043D2C3C)

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In the Application of:

FARMWALD et al.

Serial No: 09/492,982

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Title METHOD OF OPERATING A MEMORY
DEVICE HAVING A VARIABLE DATA
INPUT LENGTH

Group
Art Unit: 2818
Before
Examiner: T. Nguyen



Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, submitted herewith is a modified Form PTO-1449, including a copy of all of the documents listed therein. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) accompanies this statement.

Several of the documents listed in the PTO-1449 have been recently identified by a respondent in a pending ITC investigation, namely in re U.S. International Trade Commission Investigation No. 337-TA-431, Rambus Inc. vs Hitachi Ltd., et al., as prior art against the inventions claimed in the parent patent (i.e., U.S. Patent 6,034,918) of the instant application. An explicit reference to these documents is made in paragraph 17 on page 28, as well as in Exhibit A, of the

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RESPONSE OF HITACHI LTD. TO THE COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION
(hereinafter the "RESPONSE"). A copy of the RESPONSE is also submitted
herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner make his
consideration of these references formally of record with the next
Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Neil A. Steinberg', is written over a horizontal line. To the left of the signature is a checkmark.

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